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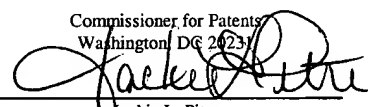
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/841,305  
Filing Date: April 24, 2001  
Inventors: Wellington et al.  
Title: IN SITU THERMAL  
PROCESSING OF A  
HYDROCARBON  
CONTAINING FORMATION  
WITH A SELECTED  
MOISTURE CONTENT

§ Examiner: J. J. Kreck  
§ Group/Art Unit: 3673  
§ Atty. Dkt. No.: 5659-02200/EBM

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 within which to respond to the Advisory Action mailed December March 5, 2003, such extension allowing the undersigned until April 9, 2003 to respond (Four months from the date of the final Office Action). If any further extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time.

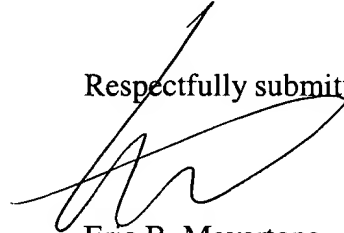
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to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons,  
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Respectfully submitted,



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